

REMARKS

Claims 1-7

Claim 1 is an independent claim, from which claims 2-7 ultimately depend. Claims 1-4 and 7 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Beck (6,755,495). Claims 5-6 have been objected to as containing allowable subject matter, but which depend from a rejected base independent claim.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite the allowable subject matter of claim 5, as well as the subject matter of claim 2 from which claim 5 depends, where claim 2 depends from claim 1. Claims 2 and 5 have been cancelled. Claim 1 has also been amended to clarify its subject matter, as the drive signal did not have antecedent basis in claim 1. Claims 3 and 6-7 have also been amended, for clarity and/or so that they depend from a pending claim.

Therefore, Applicant submits that claim 1 is allowable, such that claims 3-4 and 6-7 are allowable at least because they depend from an allowable base independent claim.

Claims 8-12 and 20-24

Claims 8-12 and 20-24 were previously withdrawn, and have been formally cancelled herein so that this patent application can be formally allowed.

Claims 13-19

Claim 13 is an independent claim, from which claims 14-19 ultimately depend. Claims 13-16 and 19 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Beck (6,755,495). Claims 17-18 have been objected to as containing allowable subject matter, but which depend from a rejected base independent claim.

Applicant has amended claim 13 to recite the allowable subject matter of claim 17, as well as the subject matter of claim 14 from which claim 17 depends, where claim 14 depends from

claim 13. Claims 14 and 17 have been cancelled. Claims 15 and 18 have been amended, for clarity and/or so that they depend from a pending claim.

Therefore, Applicant submits that claim 13 is allowable, such that claims 15-16 and 18-19 are allowable at least because they depend from an allowable base independent claim.

Respectfully Submitted,



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